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Subject: Stop manipulation of Silver

Dear Sirs,

Thank for the opportunity to comment on the issue of position limits for precious metals. Please establish a speculative position limit in COMEX silver of no more than **1000** - **1500** contracts.

Please restrict any hedging exemptions from those limits to legitimate hedgers.

Please stop the levels of concentration in COMEX silver futures that have been experienced over the past few years on the short side of the market.

Sincerely,

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